Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

August 11, 2003

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any accompanying documents is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

n August 11, 2003

Henry E. Bartony Jr. Registration No. 34,772

August 11, 2003

Date

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2003, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the claims in light of the following remearks. A Petition for Extension and the appropriate fee accompany this Response, thereby extending the period for response up to and including August 11, 2003.